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Turning disaster into determination

By David Howton

Samantha Spady was found dead Sunday, September 5, 2004, at the Sigma Pi fraternity house just outside the campus of CSU. "The house was immediately shut down and the charter removed," said an unnamed source from Sigma Pi executive office. "The removal of charter was not done by Colorado State Administration or by any government officials but by Sigma Pi Fraternity, International," the source said.

Shortly after Spady's death, her parents created a foundation in her name called the SAM Spady Foundation. SAM is an acronym for Student Alcohol Management, as well as Spady's nickname. The Spady family's goal is to educate the country on the dangers of irresponsible and over drinking. Along with giving speeches on their goal, the Foundation also passes out cards to students with important facts to know about alcohol abuse and ways to stop someone from following the same path Samantha Spady. These cards were "created by former members of the now dissolved Sigma Pi Fraternity (of Colorado State), who will pass out cards to students with warn-

ing signs of alcohol poisoning along with a checklist of what to do" noted the Coloradoan News.

"Samantha had consumed nearly twenty beers before she even arrived at the Sigma Pi house," said Sigma Pi Executive Director Mark Briscoe, while giving a speech in St Louis in February. "After arriving at the house, she began to partake in shots of vodka which eventually reached numbers in the teens. Later that night, she was led to an empty room with couches to sleep off the affects of the alcohol. She was not left in a broom closet as some papers had originally reported. Samantha felt safe with these men. She saw them as men of good character and viewed each of them as a brother of her own. At the time of death, Samantha's blood alcohol level was at a .463, which is nearly half of her entire blood content."

"Samantha was a wonderful girl who will be dearly missed," said Briscoe. "She was a dear friend to the Colorado State Chapter of Sigma Pi and of Sigma Pi



as a whole."

Sigma Pi colonized on the campus of Jacksonville State less than a month after this tragedy. They immediately began to look at ways that they could stop this from happening on their campus and ways to help the Sam Spady Foundation at the same time. Sam Spady Week was the end result.

With dates set for March 7-12, Sam Spady Week will include events such as basketball, pool, poker, and ping-pong tournaments, a family day full of events, photo shoot, and will end with a beauty pageant where they will hand out the first Sam Spady Scholarship to the winner. "We encourage everyone to stop by and grab an application to participate," stated Justin Davis, Sigma Pi Vice-President. For more information, please visit the website set up for the week at www.geocities.com/samspadyweek or email the staff at samspadyweek@hotmail.com.

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Up 'til' Dawn raises money for St. Jude

By Angela Reid
The Chanticleer Staff Writer

During Up 'til Dawn's final fundraiser of the year, the members did not stay up 'til dawn. Instead, the group that raises money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, in Memphis, Tenn., stayed up until 1:00 Saturday morning at Stephenson Hall. Up 'til Dawn's finale event was planned to reward participants who raised money while simultaneously raising more money to help the children at St. Jude's through admission and t-shirt sales.

Up 'til Dawn is a student organization on over 100 college campuses. At JSU, the student coordinators are Angela Martin and Cambrey Jordan. Although there are only about 12 people on the executive board, there are about 150 people involved in the organization. Jordan is a senior and said that she had been involved in Up 'til Dawn since her freshman year. She worked at a camp for children with cancer before starting college. Up 'til Dawn was a way for her to con-

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Bush asks congress for more war funds

Republicans attack Dean

Bush asks congress for more war funds

By Alan Fram
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - The United States' military and reconstruction operations in Iraq and Afghanistan are approaching half what it cost the country to fight the Vietnam War - with more expenses to come.

President Bush asked Congress on Monday for \$81.9 billion to keep the conflicts going this year and to finance other U.S. efforts overseas, including aid to help Indian Ocean countries rebuild from last December's tsunami. He said the money would help Iraq and Afghanistan pursue "the path of democracy and freedom."

Assuming congressional approval - which seems likely - the proposal would push the total spent in Iraq and Afghanistan and other efforts against terrorism beyond \$300 billion. It stood at about \$228 billion before Bush's latest request, according to the nonpartisan Congressional Research Service, which writes reports for Congress.

The U.S. involvement in Vietnam, which lasted more than a decade when it ended in 1975, cost \$623 billion when that era's expenditures are converted to the value of today's dollars, according to research service figures. Bush asked lawmakers to pay for the new spending by borrowing the money - which will make huge federal

deficits even larger. He said the money would also help protect U.S. troops, track down terrorists, and enhance Middle East peace prospects.

"I urge the Congress to move quickly so our troops and diplomats have the tools they need to succeed," the president said in a statement.

The request was the latest demonstration of how the **soaring costs of war - and the ongoing reconstruction of Iraq and Afghanistan - have exceeded the administration's early characterizations.** White House officials derided former Bush economic adviser Lawrence Lindsey's early estimate of a \$100 billion to \$200 billion price tag.

About \$77 billion of the total was for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, while about \$5 billion was for aid to U.S. allies. Of the total package for the wars, the vast majority - \$74.9 billion - was for the Defense Department, with other agencies sharing the rest. Some \$12 billion was requested to replace or repair worn-out and damaged equipment, including \$3.3 billion for extra armor for trucks and other protective gear - underscoring a sensitivity to earlier complaints by troops.

There was also nearly \$400 million for more generous death benefits for the families of slain American soldiers, and money to cover higher fuel costs and programs aimed at boosting the morale of U.S. troops, many of whom have been forced to serve prolonged

periods in Iraq.

In addition, there was \$5.7 billion to train Iraqi forces and \$1.3 billion to train Afghan security agencies. Another \$5 billion was for the Army to redesign many of its own combat brigades so they would be more flexible and less reliant on other units.

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President Bush

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B u s h requested \$658 million to build a new U.S. embassy in Iraq that could house a staff of 1,000, plus \$717 million to staff it. He wants \$4.8 million to enhance U.S. - backed broadcasting to Arabs, including new television broadcasts aimed at Muslims living in Europe.

Republicans attack Dean after election

By Marc Humbert
AP Political Writer

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) - New York's Republican state chairman said Monday that Howard Dean's election as Democratic national chairman shows the rival party's leaders "have refused to learn the lessons of the past two election cycles."

"Howard Dean is the personification of today's national Democratic Party - elite, radical, out-of-control, and sadly out-of-touch with ordinary Americans," said state GOP Chairman Stephen Minarik.

"The Democrats simply have refused to learn the lessons of the past two election cycles, and now they can be accurately called the party of Barbara Boxer, Lynne Stewart and Howard Dean," Minarik added.

Boxer is a liberal Democratic senator from California. Stewart is a New York City-based veteran civil rights lawyer convicted last week of helping terrorists by smuggling messages from one of her imprisoned clients, a radical Egyptian sheik, to his colleagues on the outside. Stewart has said her conviction will be appealed.

Minarik's Democratic counterpart in New York, Herman Farrell, was dismissive of the GOP leader's statements.

"The New York Republican Party is in shambles," the state

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State employees looking at pay increase if money is there

By Bob Johnson
Associated Press Writer

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) - A Republican legislator plans to introduce a bill to give state employees a 4 percent pay raise if the money is available, a move that could put new pressure on lawmakers to use education money to help out the General Fund.

The measure by state Rep. Jay Love, R-Montgomery, also could put state employees and teachers at odds in the tug-of-war for taxpayer dollars.

Love said the bill, to be filed as

early as Tuesday, would give state employees the pay raise if the money is available in the General Fund, which covers the paychecks of non-education state employees.

The possibility of a pay raise would also be contingent on the Legislature approving a plan by Gov. Bob Riley to transfer some state programs from the General Fund to the education budget, a move that would provide about \$70 million for the cash-strapped General Fund.

Democratic Party leaders in the Legislature have objected to Riley's plan, saying it would take money away from class-

rooms.

Alabama Education Association President Paul Hubbert, who has proposed a 7 percent raise for teachers, called Love's bill an attempt to pit teachers against state employees.

"This is a last-ditch effort to transfer money from Alabama schoolchildren by pitting one group of state employees against another," Hubbert said. Alabama State Employees Association executive director Mac McArthur said state employees have not had a pay hike since 2002 and need a raise, but said Riley's plan to

transfer funds from one budget to the other has no chance of passing. Previous efforts, dating back more than 30 years, to divert money from the education budget to the General Fund have been defeated in the Legislature.

"I'm for getting money in the General Fund any legitimate way we can. But this scheme is like telling a pig to fly. It isn't going to happen," McArthur said. He said instead the governor and the Legislature need to find a source of "recurring revenue" for the General Fund.

Riley proposed a 4 percent pay

raise for teachers in his budgets. The governor's communications director, Jeff Emerson, said Riley would like to see state employees also get a raise and supports Love's bill.

Love said Monday the only way money might be available to give both teachers and state employees a pay raise is to approve the governor's plan to shift some programs from the General Fund to the education budget. He said without the transfers the hole in the General Fund budget will result in budget cuts to some agencies and

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By the numbers:

Number of inches
Mexico sinks every year:

10

Gamecock Scoreboard:

Feb. 17 Men's Basketball @ Auston Peay 7 p.m.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alpha Omicron Pi: We hope that everyone has had a great week so far and a good Valentine's Day. Congratulations to our new member, Lara Lindsey. Also, thanks to everyone who went and helped out with AOPi BBQ Night. We wish a special Happy Birthday to Holly Murdock. **Contact:** Dani McLean, drina805@aol.com.

Counseling and Career Services: The Office of CCS will be hosting a "Stress Management 101" workshop on Thurs., Feb. 24 from 3 – 4 p.m. in Theron Montgomery Building Room 303. **Contact:** Linda Shelton, 782-5475.

Delta Zeta: We hope our girls going to Region's have fun and learn lots! Keep an eye out for information on our upcoming recruitment event with Zeta Tau Alpha. Good luck with the show Erin and Lesley! Sister of the week: Bryanna. New Member: Kim. Twisted Sister: Stacy. Check out www.jaxstdeltazeta.org. **Contact:** Laura, lauradzlg@yahoo.com.

JSU Ambassadors: Why did you choose JSU? If you're interested in telling your story and helping other students to choose JSU, come by and pick up your Ambassador application today @ the Visitor Center. Applications are due March 1! **Contact:** Ashlie Holland, 782-5260.

Phi Mu: We love our new Phis. Congrats to the basketball team on their win. Phi Mu Golf Tournament is April 1, 2005 at Cane Creek-ask any Phi Mu for more information. Awards: Lady of the Week: Lindsey Stonebraker. Phi of the Week: Katie Richards. Sunshine Award: Elizabeth Herring. Athlete of the Week: Christie Scott. **Contact:** Rachel Clevealand at Hevn928@aol.com.

SGA: SGA presents "STEP AFRIKA" Thursday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. in the TMB. An SGA Senate meeting will be held Feb. 21 at 6 p.m. in the TMB. SGA Exec. Campaign speeches will be held Monday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in the TMB. SGA Movie Night is Tuesday, Feb. 22 in the TMB. The showing is TBA. **Contact:** Brian Snead, 782-5495.

Society of Human Resource Management Club: Announcement change. Meeting: Friday, Feb. 11 in room 219 of the Merrill building at 11:15 a.m. The speaker will be Carole Clarkson.

Zeta Tau Alpha: We are so proud of our new members. Congratulations to sister Elizabeth Fairly for winning the Miss West-Central Alabama title. Don't forget to mark your calendars for ZTA's annual Big Man on Campus, which takes place March 16 at 8 p.m. at the Leone Cole Auditorium. Interested male contestants may contact Cambrey at jordan@yahoo.com. Have a great weekend! Go Gamecocks!

Phi Eta Sigma: Fifty or more \$1,000 undergraduate awards, 33 endowed \$3,000 undergraduate scholarships, and five endowed \$5,000 graduate scholarships are available nationally to Phi Eta Sigma members. JSU members of Phi Eta Sigma are invited to apply. Local deadline for applications is February 23. **Contact:** Rufus Kinney, English Dept., 105 Stone Center, 782-5467 for applications or questions.

JSU ROTC: Two and three-year scholarships that pay full tuition and fees, partial books and a monthly spending allowance of \$300 to \$400 are available through JSU ROTC. Annual \$1000 Alumni Scholarships are also available. The department will hold a scholarship board on April 2. **Contact:** Major Shackelford, 782-5601.

Society of Professional Journalists: We will be holding a meeting Thursday, Feb. 17 at 5:00 p.m. in The Chanticleer office, Rm. 180 Self Hall. Those interested in joining are encouraged to attend. **Contact:** Elizabeth Thurman, 782-8191.

Probus headlines event ... From UTD ... page 1

tinue to help the children she loved. The executive board members became even more convinced of their mission when they visited St. Jude's Hospital in May 2004.

St. Jude's Research Hospital is a non-profit organization that operates solely on donations. It is the only hospital of its kind where parents are not asked to pay for their child's care if insurance does not cover the treatment. The hospital even provides a place for families to live while children are being treated. The hospital depends on organizations like Up 'til Dawn for their support.

As people arrived, they gathered around tables to write letters to children with cancer at St. Jude's. The letters were written on the backs of paper elephants the group sold for \$1 during the year. The elephant is the mascot for St. Jude's because it represents family, long life, strength, and playfulness. If a baby elephant's parents die, other elephant families will begin to care for the orphaned baby. Similarly, St. Jude's aims to be a place where families can live, play, and heal.

Later that evening, Jacob Probus, from Glencoe, headlined as the entertainment. The group also enjoyed four-square tournaments and basketball games as well as plenty of food. Just before 1 a.m. awards were given to those who had

raised the most money during the year. Rebecca Kringold, the individual winner, raised \$263 but the organizational winner was still being determined. The group as a whole raised over \$5,000 and letters were still being answered.

To raise money, Up 'til Dawn sponsors letter-writing parties through out the year. During these events, the participants fill in letters that are provided. They write who the letter is to and their information at the bottom of the page. The letters explain why giving money to St. Jude is such an important thing and ask people to donate. Each person can keep track of how much money they have raised and who has answered their letters. Another way to participate is to form a group of 7 people. If the group can raise over \$750 it is allowed free admission to the final event.

The members of Up 'til Dawn actually stayed up 'til dawn at one time. Their final fundraiser was originally a twenty-four hour event. This year, the event was only four hours long because the group decided that their focus should be on raising money, not planning their final event. Even though the event concluded at 1:00, the executive committee said that they would probably be up all night cleaning up Stephenson Hall.

Dem's come back swinging ... From Dean page 1

Democratic chairman said.

"You are broke and fighting among yourselves. Governor (George) Pataki's popularity ratings have sunk to record lows. In the last decade, you have lost seats in both houses in Albany, both houses in Washington, statewide and in



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The Chanticleer Announcements Policy Any JSU student organization or University office may submit items for the Announcements column. Submissions **must** be typed, and must be limited to 50 words. Submissions **must** include a name and telephone number or e-mail address to contact for further information, but this information does not count toward the 50-word total. Submissions **must** arrive at The Chanticleer offices in Room 180, Self Hall by 5 p.m. on the Monday prior to the desired publication date.

The Chanticleer reserves the right to refuse publication of any submission for any reason. We also reserve the right to edit submissions for style, brevity, and clarity

CAMPUS CRIME

Feb. 12-A male subject was arrested for DUI occurring at the Patterson Hall parking lot.

Information in the Campus Crime column is obtained from incident and arrest reports at the JSU Police Department in Salls Hall. These records are public documents which any individual has the right to examine under Alabama state law. If you believe this information to be in error, please call 782-5701, or contact JSUPD at 782-5050

Employees, teachers upset over budget ... From Teach Page 1

possibly employee layoffs.

"If those programs are not transferred out and over to the education trust fund, I think we'll be looking at layoffs of state employees," Love said. "If the governor's budgets passed as proposed, there's a chance for state employees to get a raise."

Rep. Mike Hubbard, R-Auburn, the House minority leader, said it would not be fair for teachers to get a 7 percent raise while pay for state employees stays the same.

"Everybody agrees teachers should be paid more. But how can you say you want a 7 percent raise and then look at

state troopers or prison guards and tell them 'not only are you not getting a raise, but you ought to be worried about your jobs,'" Hubbard said.

The chairman of the House education budget writing committee, Rep. Richard Lindsey, D-Centre, said he hopes Love's bill does not force teachers and state employees to take sides against each other in the fight over the budgets.

"I don't think we should be playing politics with state employees or teachers," said Lindsey, who spoke out against the governor's plan at two news conferences last week. He said he doesn't believe transferring some programs from

lows. In the last decade, you have lost seats in both houses in Albany, both houses in Washington, statewide and in counties across the state.

"Come back to us after you have won a few races," Farrell added.

Dean, the former Vermont governor who failed in his bid last year for the Democratic presidential nomination, was elected Saturday to head the Democratic National Committee. GOP National Chairman Ken Mehlman had congratulated Dean on his election and put out a statement Saturday describing the former Vermont governor as "a strong leader for his party."

But the anti-Dean offensive espoused by Minarik was more along the lines of what has been expected from GOP leaders, especially at the state level where Dean has said he expects to focus much of his early attention. He has promised to rebuild the Democratic Party from the grass-roots level on up.

Republicans, much like Dean's rivals for the Democratic presidential nomination, have sought to portray him as a left-leaning liberal who is well out of the political mainstream. As governor of Vermont, he had a more moderate reputation.

one budget to the other would be a permanent solution to the problems facing the General Fund, which gets its money mostly from taxes that typically show little growth from year to year.

"First of all, I hope we don't send a bad message to state employees. Certainly, their work and effort are worth as much as anyone else," Lindsey said. "But with such serious problems in the General Fund there are going to be some tough decisions made. I think with the transfer we would simply be fooling ourselves and further underfunding education in Alabama."

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Huntsville woman kills her three children

Mother says she did it on purpose, no suspicion of any other cause of death other than starvation and dehydration; charged with capital murder

Associated Press

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. (AP) - A final toxicology report on three children whose mother is accused of starving them to death will not be ready for months but tests show no sign of poisoning or other cause, a coroner said Monday.

Madison County coroner Bobby Berryhill said there is no suspicion of any cause of death other than the starvation and dehydration shown in a preliminary autopsy report. His comment came after some neighbors wondered how the three school-aged children could have been starved without seeking help or someone knowing.

"We know it is malnutrition and dehydration," Berryhill said Monday. "We are sure that is what it was."

The coroner said the children apparently

did not try to escape their mother because "she had control over them. That's why they didn't leave. Those kids were used to being kept in the house."

"I don't know how long she had been planning it. I don't know what brought this on," Berryhill said.

He said if any other unexpected cause of death was determined, it would "surface about a year from now" in a final toxicology report.

Their mother, 33-year-old Nathshay Ward, has been charged with capital murder in the deaths of Christopher Ward, 8; Latrica Ward, 9; and Shanika Ward, 11. Their bodies were discovered Feb. 4 in their Huntsville apartment, where utilities had been turned off. Authorities said they had been dead a week to 10 days.

Investigators said the mother told them she intentionally starved the children.

Ward's attorneys have requested a prelimi-

nary hearing for April 13.

Berryhill said the preliminary autopsy report was not being released to the public. The children's father, Michael Kelley, was not living with them and never witnessed their mother abusing them or not providing meals. He said her motives remain a mystery to him.

"They won't let me know if I can talk to her or not," Kelley said. "I guess I am just going to have to wait on them."

Kelley previously said when he last saw his children in mid-January he saw them eating as they sat on the floor. They had not returned to school when classes resumed Jan. 4 at the end of winter break and apparently spent their last days inside their apartment. They were found fully clothed in separate rooms, according to authorities.

More than 1,500 people attended a Sunday funeral for three children.

Auburn's commitment to diversity under scrutiny

By Jeffrey McMurray
Associated Press Writer

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) - Spurred by the firing of two black employees in Auburn's athletic department, several top administrators and community leaders raised concerns Monday about the university's commitment to diversity.

"Clearly, there is a lot of frustration on the minds of African-Americans at Auburn regarding some of the conditions that I think they find themselves in," said associate Provost David Wilson, vice president for University Outreach and Auburn's top minority official.

Wilson, interim assistant Provost Keenan Grenell for diversity and multicultural affairs and Faculty Senate chairman Willie Larkin spoke at a news conference held at the university library. Wilson estimated that 100-150 people attended.

In a statement, Auburn interim President Ed Richardson said diversity is "a core value of the institution" and the university is working to further that goal.

"The university has and continues to work to create and preserve an environment where all people are valued and respected," Richardson said. "The university has undertaken a significant diversity initiative and has developed a comprehensive plan for Auburn."

"This plan clearly recognizes the need to attract and retain a highly qualified faculty, staff and student body that reflects the diversity of our society. The diversity plan also acknowledges the call for greater accountability in higher education."

Wilson said the firing of associate athletic director Stacy Danley and assistant AD Eugene Harris was "the catalyst" for the gathering, but that the concerns aren't new at Auburn.

He said the university hasn't brought in a nonwhite vice president, academic dean or department head since his hiring in 1995.

"We have been talking about diversity at Auburn for the last 7-8 years and have put forth a number of efforts to try push that forward," Wilson said. "Clearly those efforts have not resulted in the kind of results that the university had hoped for."

Danley, who did not immediately return a call seeking comment Monday, contended last week that his firing stemmed from a discrimination suit he filed in 2003 and eventually settled for \$80,000 and a promotion from assistant AD.

Neither Harris nor Danley were at the event Monday. Harris has an unlisted number and also could not be reached for comment.

Athletic director Jay Jacobs fired those two, along with assistant AD Marvin Julich, who is white, as part of a restructuring of the department.

Jacobs promoted two black administrators, Virgil Starks from associate athletic director to senior athletic director and David Mines from director of athletic event operations to assistant athletic director for compliance.

Jacko's case star-studded event

Associated Press Writer

SANTA MARIA, Calif. (AP) - Michael Jackson's lawyers announced Monday they may call celebrities such as Elizabeth Taylor, Diana Ross and Kobe Bryant to the witness stand during the pop star's molestation trial.

The list of possible witnesses sounded like coming attractions for a major Hollywood spectacle: "Tonight Show" host Jay Leno, producer Quincy Jones, actor Chris Tucker and singer Stevie Wonder, along with Taylor, Ross and Bryant.

Names of defense and prose-

Only one jury prospect, who had a health problem, was immediately dismissed.

Attorneys are in the process of selecting 12 jurors and eight alternates who will decide Jackson's fate on charges that he molested a teenage cancer patient at his Neverland Ranch and plied him with alcohol.

Defense attorney Thomas Mesereau Jr. also named as possible witnesses Jackson's children Paris and Prince Michael, who have been raised in such seclusion that the public has never seen their faces.

Other, more recognizable faces in the ensemble included Backstreet Boy Nick Carter and his younger brother Aaron,

documentary "Living With Michael Jackson" showed Jackson and his accuser holding hands and Jackson defending his practice of sharing his bed with children.

Jackson smiled across the courtroom at the prospective jurors during Monday's selection. Maintaining his star persona, he came to court in a black suit with a red satin shirt, gold and red brocade vest, with a sunburst pin on his pocket and a jewel-encrusted accessory on his vest.

One female prospect said she was falsely accused by a relative of molesting a boy, and later was falsely accused by a parent of assaulting a child

riences would not influence their decisions and they could be unbiased.

Several prospective jurors said they believe children often lie under pressure by their parents or others. One man said he believed that siblings could plant ideas in a child's head.

Quizzed on their views of the news media, most said they thought the press goes overboard in covering some issues but said they watch news on TV and read newspapers.

The prosecution witness list included a group that the defense did not: the entire family of a boy involved in 1993 allegations of molestation by Jackson. The judge has not yet

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actor Chris Tucker and singer Stevie Wonder, along with Taylor, Ross and Bryant.

Names of defense and prosecution witnesses were revealed to prospective jurors so attorneys could find out if any of the more than 240 members of the pool had associations that may be important in selecting a jury for the trial.

But the judge advised the jury pool that some of the big names may be no-shows.

Other, more recognizable faces in the ensemble included Backstreet Boy Nick Carter and his younger brother Aaron, actor Corey Feldman, CBS correspondent Ed Bradley, CNN's Larry King, Fox broadcaster Rita Cosby, New Age guru Deepak Chopra, psychic Uri Geller, Las Vegas tycoon Steve Wynn and relatives of the late Marlon Brando.

Also listed was journalist Martin Bashir, whose 2003 TV

was falsely accused by a relative of molesting a boy, and later was falsely accused by a parent of assaulting a child while she was a teacher.

"I don't know the truth about Mr. Jackson, but I'd like the truth to come forward," she said. "I'm sympathetic."

Another woman said she had to go to police when she found out that a brother-in-law molested her nieces.

Both women said their expe-

defense did not: the entire family of a boy involved in 1993 allegations of molestation by Jackson. The judge has not yet ruled whether that incident can be mentioned in the trial. No criminal charges were filed, but there was a civil settlement reportedly amounting to \$15 million.

Tsunami aid included ...From *Bush Page 1*

Afghanistan would get almost \$2 billion more for its own reconstruction, including money to build roads and schools, combat illegal drugs and prepare for parliamentary elections.

There was also money for other U.S. allies, including \$150 million for Pakistan and \$300 million for Jordan. The Ukraine would get \$60 million in the wake of its elections, and the Palestinians - engaged in a new peace effort with Israel - would get \$200 million for economic development and to help them create democratic institutions.

One possible flashpoint with Congress was two \$200 million funds the State Department would control to provide economic and security aid to unspecified U.S. allies.

A total of \$950 million would be provided for the tsunami-damaged Indian Ocean countries, largely for relief and long-term

reconstruction. That included \$350 million to replenish U.S. accounts tapped earlier for initial tsunami aid.

Also requested was \$242 million for aid for Sudan's war-ravaged Darfur region, plus another \$100 million to help implement last month's peace agreement in southern Sudan.

Rep. Jerry Lewis, R-Calif., chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, said he would move the bill "quickly and cleanly through the Congress" with a goal of sending Bush the legislation by early April. In a hint that lawmakers would look to rework some details, he added, "Congress will exercise our constitutional obligations while expediting the consideration of this request."

Rep. John Spratt of South Carolina, top Democrat on the House Budget Committee, said lawmakers would back the effort to help American forces. But he complained

that the measure contained some items - such as the money to help restructure Army combat units - that seemed to have little to do with the war and should have been in Bush's overall budget released last week.

"This is one way of trying to keep the regular budget sum down," he said.

Congress provided Bush with a \$25 billion down payment last summer for this year's costs of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Before Monday's request, Congress had already approved \$201.2 billion for the Defense Department since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, for the two wars and its other efforts to tighten security and to hunt terrorists, according to a tally by the Congressional Research Service.

In addition, lawmakers had provided nearly \$27 billion for rebuilding Iraq and Afghanistan, said the service, which compiles reports for Congress.

Spady's dad to be at event ...From SAM, page 1

Members of Sigma Pi will be set up on the 2nd floor of the TMB every Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday between 11-2 from now until March 4th with information packets that include a registration form for all the events.

The Spadys and Sigma Pi only grew closer as they bonded together to ensure that this would never happen again. "Two brothers of Sigma Pi, Darren Pettapiece and Mark Briscoe now sit on the Board of Directors for the Foundation" remarked an unnamed representative from the SAM Spady Foundation.

"We saw Samantha as a sister. We loved her and are very saddened from this incident. What the Spady family is doing is a great thing and we hope that everyone will support their cause," said Darren Pettapiece, president of the now disbanded Colorado State Chapter of Sigma Pi. "(SAM Spady Week) is a great idea and hopefully other Greek organizations at Jacksonville State, Colorado State

and across the country will follow their lead in promotion of alcohol awareness ~~so no~~ one has ~~to go through~~ what we are going through here at CSU."

Some students think that the SAM Spady Foundation and Sigma Pi are trying to stop them from drinking. That's not the case at all. Alcohol related deaths are becoming a problem nation wide and "we need to crack down on it," commented CSU student Chris Warwick.

"Samantha was a wonderful artist, terrific student, friend and daughter. I feel blessed to have had her as long as I did. With your help, we can make sure that Sam touches as many lives in Heaven as she did while se was on earth," said Samantha's father, Rick Spady. "Please participate in as many events as possible and show your support by attending the beauty pageant on Saturday, March 12."

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OPINION

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Smoke 'em if you got 'em ... while you still can

By J. Wilson Guthrie
The Chanticleer
Editor-in-Chief



First I would like to welcome *The Conservative Monthly* to the scene of college news. I hope that their Fox-news-like take on JSU is a breath of fresh air in the lungs of this campus. I wish them luck and happiness in their endeavor.

Now for the real business at hand. I hope that you all have paid attention to the vote to ban public smoking that took place in Jacksonville this week. In a 4-2 vote, the city council voted to ban smoking in pretty much all public places except bars and restaurants that install filtration systems.

O.K. my first problem with this decision is that it takes away businesses' rights to either allow or dis-

allow smoking as they see fit. Lord knows we need more governmental control on the things that we are allowed to do.

I know that if I owned, operated and worked in a place that I built and paid for, I would not want anyone telling me what I could or couldn't do with it. But the long arm of lobbyists have reached into and tainted our own small town.

Second - and this part is purely opinion and has no basis anywhere - I can't help but wonder if the city of Jacksonville forgets why this little town exists. It seems like there are two Jacksonville's; the one where the college kids live and the one where everyone else lives. I would wager that without the university this "city" would be little more than a blinking light, a store and a group of houses.

That being said, a lot college-age kids smoke. Not that it is a good thing, just a common reality. Now answer me this, how many locals do you see in Brothers on a given night? Or any bar in

Jacksonville for that matter? So why, oh why, would the city do something as stupid as driving out tax dollars? I can only hope that the Sports Nut is zoned outside the city limits.

Finally, I hate self-righteous people and a city that just voted not to fund their children's education and were then quoted as being a 'progressive community' is about as self-righteous as you can get. Jacksonville is as far from being progressive as the state of Alabama. Now if the mayor or another city official was issuing same sex marriage licences and we had just voted to allow medical marijuana I could possibly concede that this was a 'progressive' city. But just because we ban smoking unless you have a filtration system - which by the way, doesn't even remove the smoke, just the smoke smell - doesn't make us a progressive city.

Why would you vote to not fund your schools but then vote to "stop" smoking. That's just pitiful.

Letters to the Editor

I'll admit it; I'm pissed. I spent the day with my daughter, and on my way home, I stopped by the dining-hall to eat. They asked me for two extra dollars to dine in a facility with the lights turned down to half of normal. Saint Valentine's Day is a wonderful thing, unless you're a poor student, (financially that is) then it's a way for the university to rook you out of monies that you can't afford — then it sucks. As I said: 'I'm pissed.' I am not against people making money — it's the American way; what I am against is rich people and institutions doing what they want (legal or not) and making it harder on people just tryin' to get by.

"Them people try my

MEALS PER DAY; the dining-hall only serves ONE ON SUNDAYS.

This is a breach of the UCC, or the Uniform Contract Code; the university has lawyers who know this, but to change the flyer would be an admission of the university being wrong, so they're waiting for the courts to make them change the way that they do things — but only if somebody has the courage to call them on it. What they are really hoping for is that the new mandatory meal plan goes into effect before this is ever brought up.

Really Dr. Meehan, you should think about us "poor" students who have to make use of financial aid (we are a significant portion of the stu-

The Chanticleer welcomes The Conservative Monthly

By Elisabeth Thurman
The Chanticleer
News Editor



On behalf of *The Chanticleer* I would like to take this opportunity to welcome *The Conservative Monthly* to JSU's campus.

I am encouraged to see such a zealous interest in journalism growing at JSU. I am a firm believer in freedom of expression, and I am excited to learn about the publication of such a newsletter.

The current tensions between conservatives and liberals seem to dictate the tone of contemporary American politics, and now these tensions have reached JSU. Of course, reporting fair and balanced news at all times is what we all strive for as journalists.

Greek life, campus crime, or organizational news, I enjoy reporting these events to JSU's student body. My staff works hard and I'm *never* disappointed in the general tone of our newspaper.

I trust that the writers for *The Conservative Monthly* will do the same. I have every confidence that they will.

Journalism is a tricky business. We have a duty to speak the truth at all times and to exercise good moral judgment in the decisions that we make. I know I'll never make a fortune in this field, but unfortunately, it's what I love. I learn something new every day about this job. No matter how many journalism classes you take, or how many newspapers you read, the best way to shape your craft as a journalist is through real newsroom experience.

Some advice for any budding journalists:
1. Take COM 315, News Writing, at JSU.

without the knowledge of the other party involved is in bad journalistic taste. COM 459, Communication Ethics, should help you with that. Double check job titles and quotes and make sure those quotes are always used in context.

4. Pictures speak louder than words. An outstanding picture that supports the story will make a good story a great one.

5. Avoid shameless plugs, political or otherwise.

6. Letters to the editor are a great way to get involved with your campus, have your voice heard or express pleasure or disappointment with a publication. They are always welcomed at *The Chanticleer*, whether they be in the form of articulate, well-processed thought, or confrontational, irrational ranting.

7. Subscribe to The Associated Press or to another credible news service. It's a great

want (legal or not) and making it harder on people just tryin' to get by.

"Them people try my patience, so maybe I can try theirs": Anyone who has purchased the meal plan with 14 meals per week can probably get a portion of their money back, especially if they had a week where they didn't use 13 meals in six days; if you only used 12 meals in 6 days, the school probably owes you money. You see, the dining-hall flyer states that the 14 meal per week plan GUARANTEES TWO

should think about us poor students who have to make use of financial aid (we are a significant portion of the students, and should be at least slightly considered); it could be better for the university, and for everybody else too, in the long run. All I wanted was to be able to afford to eat dinner on a school night.

Larry Welch

contemporary American politics, and now these tensions have reached JSU. Of course, reporting fair and balanced news at all times is what we all strive for as journalists. Perhaps a liberal campus publication will be implemented to balance any conservatism expressed in *The Conservative Monthly*. Healthy debate between opposing sides excites me, and I genuinely hope that the publication of *The Conservative Monthly* will encourage JSU's liberal minds to speak out. The practice of freely expressing ideas is what makes this country so vital and fascinating.

As news editor of *The Chanticleer*, I've tried at all times to bring unbiased news stories to each week's edition of our newspaper. Whether it's coverage of SGA events,

your craft as a journalist is through real newsroom experience.

Some advice for any budding journalists:

1. Take COM 315, News Writing, at JSU. You can't write a decent article without it.
2. Copy edit. Copy edit. Copy edit. No matter how great your article is, misspelling and grammatical errors make you look like a fool. No publication is perfect, so there will be the occasional errors. A good copy editor is the backbone of any good newspaper.
3. NEVER MISREPRESENT! When conducting an interview, make sure you accurately represent the person you interview. Also, make sure the person knows you're actually conducting an interview. Ethically, using information from a conversation

well-processed thought, or confrontational, irrational ranting.

7. Subscribe to The Associated Press or to another credible news service. It's a great way to get national news. Of course, you have to pay for these services, but it's well worth it. Just make sure you pay for the stories you use. It's blatant plagiarism if you don't.

These are just a few things that I've learned this year. I still make errors, and I still need a ton of improvement. At this level, we all do.

It's frustrating when you print a meaningful article or editorial only to have it fall on deaf ears. I applaud the College Republicans for their efforts and for their desire to have their voices heard.

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) - Cupid occasionally misses his mark, so a local radio station is running a Valentine's Day contest offering a free divorce.

"Everyone associates Valentine's Day with love, and diamonds, chocolate, roses. But what about those people that hate it? This is for those people," said Scott Petibone, program director at WKRL-FM, a progressive rock station.

The station began promoting its divorce-giveaway last week. By Thursday, the station received over 100 entries, Petibone said. A winner will be selected on Valentine's Day.

The divorce must be uncontested. "We're not looking for the most horrible stories or the most vicious couples," he said. Some clergy in Syracuse called the contest tasteless.

"A divorce is a death, the death of a dream," said the Rev. Joseph Champlin, rector at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. "You wouldn't make a joke out of someone who died, would you?"

Petibone, who is married, is surprised by such criticism.

"We're not asking happily married couples to get a divorce. The people who are entering want to get a divorce," Petibone said. "If a contest makes you want to get a divorce, then you've definitely got problems."

RACINE, Wis. (AP) - Just sipping a brewski gave Isac Agüero a career hangover.

Agüero, 24, said he was fired from his job with a Miller Brewing distributor, the same day a picture appeared in *The Journal Times* of Racine of him drinking a Bud Light, which is

Stupid things people do that we find amusing

brewed by rival Anheuser-Busch Co.

The photo, taken Feb. 5, was part of the newspaper's weekly "On the Town" feature, which depicts the city's night life.

Agüero, who had been a forklift operator at CJW Inc. for four years, told the newspaper he was informed by co-workers when he arrived at work last week that he was in trouble because of the picture.

He said he was called into the general manager's office and told he was fired. Agüero said he was not given a reason and claimed he never had problems with his bosses.

"It was a Saturday and I wasn't at work," he told *The Journal Times*. "They can't tell me what beverages I can drink. Bud Light's my beer of choice, I always drink that. Just because I work there, do I have to change what I drink?"

Thomas Bey, a CJW sales manager, read a statement to The Associated Press on Friday and would not answer any questions. He said the company does not publicly discuss past or present employees.

"We consistently remind our employees that drinking alco-

hol is entirely a personal decision," Bey said. "The image and reputation of any company is determined in large part by the way its employees are seen to behave. Our employees can and should be our best ambassadors."

WECOTA, S.D. (AP) - The sign said it all: "Wecota, Pop. 19. We're all here because we're not all there."

That is until earlier this month, when somebody stole the sign that had been bolted to a wooden fence on the west side of the Faulk County village since September.

But Wecota townsfolk are nothing if not clever.

It turns out that part-time Wecota resident Dave Griffith, who came up with the idea for the sign, had ordered two of them - just in case something happened to the first one.

Resident Jerry Barondeau said the second sign will go up, and this time, it will be welded into place.

Griffith paid for the signs, as well as the town's first street signs - one for each of Wecota's two streets.

DURHAM, N.C. (AP) - When Albert Sack buys furniture, he doesn't skimp.

The antiques dealer just spent \$7.5 million on a mahogany tea table - the second-highest price ever paid for a piece of American furniture.

"As long as it is great, there's no price too great for a masterpiece," Sack said of his purchase at a Jan. 22 auction at New York's Sotheby's auction house.

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From left to right: Russell Reeps (The Chairman), Judy Holt (Edwin Drood) and Joshua P. Sirten (Joh Jaspar) make up the cast of "The Mystery of Edwin Drood." This show, based on an unfinished novel by Charles Dickens, allows the audience to decide on the ending every night.

Interactive mystery: rated 'E' for everyone

By Coty Cockrell
Chanticleer Features Writer

Singing, dancing, laughing and a good old-fashioned killing; these are all the traits of JSU's production of the light-hearted murder mystery, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood."

nephew Edwin Drood himself. Or perhaps we should say herself. This character is outlined in the storyline to be played by a female impersonating a man, and is played by our very own Judy Holt. Intrigued?

Trying not to reveal too much of this entrancing story, Drood's

That's right; think about it as a "poll the audience" or a "Choose Your Own Adventure" play. Each character is given plenty of opportunities to drop clues and hints throughout, so it is up to the active listener to pick up on the subtleties of this hilarious murder mystery. Josh



Get into Exodus

By Erin Chupp
The Chanticleer
Features Editor



My feet slipped into sandals and my eyes gazed upon palm trees and blue skies. I spent the majority of last weekend driving, but when I wasn't, I was enjoying the warm sun of Clearwater, Florida and the sounds of 30 bands at Real Fest.

This outdoor festival greeted patrons with inflatable activities, two performance stages, band merchandise tables and great food. I had an awesome plate of slow-cooked ribs with cajun seasoning and roasted corn on the cob dipped in hot butter; all for five dollars.

The food was the deal of the day, but the bands were worth sticking around. All of the bands there were competing for prize money and a chance to open up for an already signed band.

All of the bands received 25-minute sets, and within this time had to convince the audience (40 percent of the vote) and judges they were deserving of first place. Promoters and radio stations were there to scope out new talent.

JSU's production of the light-hearted murder mystery, "The Mystery of Edwin Drood."

Directed by Dr. Wayne Claeren, this show promises to be a family favorite, showcasing some of the finest talent at JSU. The Mystery of Edwin Drood is actually a novel written by the great Charles Dickens, author of the popular holiday favorite, "A Christmas Carol." There is one catch, however; the book was never finished. Dickens unfortunately passed away before he had the chance to complete the work. This is actually great news to theatergoers, being that the stage adaptation has taken a certain measure of poetic license concerning the end of the musical.

It may seem odd, but this musical production about a play about a novel allows for all kinds of quirky characters, the most prevalent being Jasper's

Judy Holt. Intrigued?

Trying not to reveal too much of this entrancing story, Drood's whimsically complicated plot sets up a clash of interests among the equally self-incriminating characters in the play.

Passionate embraces and conniving scoundrels only fuel the madness. When Drood suspiciously disappears and the coat he was wearing is discovered coated with blood, the fun really starts!

I mentioned earlier that Dickens never finished his book. That's where the audience comes into the picture. From the very start of the production, it is made apparent that the audience is an integral part of the show. Whether cheering, booing, or just being as "vulgar and uncivilized as legally possible," the audience takes an active role in the play, and possibly the most important one — you choose how the play ends.

is up to the active listener to pick up on the subtleties of this hilarious murder mystery. Josh Sirten will be playing "Jasper", Britani Mason shall portray "Rosa", and Russell Reeps will be personifying the "Chairman".

The music from the show is jovial, to say the least — each song possesses a certain measure of Gilbert and Sullivan flair, giving the vocalists quite a verbal workout. You will find the songs throughout the show whimsically wordy and coquettishly cute.

In fact, depending on how the audience decides the play should end, any one of the main characters gets to perform a murder confession song in a true musical theater fashion that only Broadway can provide. "It's wickedly funny," says Heather Norton, who plays the character "Helena".

Everything about this 1890's



Photo, Jan Rhodes

vaudeville-style production promises to be stellar, from the talented pit orchestra to the vibrant costumes, from the lighting and set pieces to the bright and energetic faces on stage. JSU's production of "The Mystery of Edwin Drood" is definitely one you will not want to miss.

The show runs from Feb. 17-

19 and 24-26 with shows at 7 p.m., with matinee performances Feb. 20 and 27 at 2 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$9 for JSU personnel and senior citizens, and just \$8 for students and military. Go support the Drama and Music departments and enjoy this mysterious production.

Steppin' into Black History



Photo courtesy, www.stepafrika.com

Stepping, dancing and clapping: These performers are a part of Step Afrika and will be in the TMB tonight.

By Constance Glenn
Chanticleer Features Writer

Tonight, Step Afrika will show a 90 minute performance in the Theron Montgomery Building at 8 p.m. Young artists from the United States and the South African-based Soweto Dance Theater are the performers. The evening's event is provided by the Multicultural Services and SGA.

Step Afrika, a step and dance team, will be performing movements, social and physical expressions, and rhythms seen in African dance with traditional black Greek step movement interaction. Along with a high-energy brand of precision stepping, hand-clapping, jumping and beating on drums, traditional black Greek step movements are actions that Step Afrika will exhibit.

Stepping and tap are dances created by Americans and South African dances such as gumboot, Zulu, hip-hop and freestyle are elements that Step Afrika will display for the audience.

Step Afrika members include: Brian Williams, founder and

director of Step Afrika, as well as a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; Kirsten Ledford, artistic director, specializing in ballet, modern, drill and pom and African dance; Alexia Ryan, an actress and dancer; Genia Morgan, a dancer and actress; Paul Woodruff, an artist of stepping; Darrius Gouridine, who teaches art form to young audience; and Steve Powell, playing African drums and with his mouth provides warm-up music without the instruments.

"Step Afrika is strong, dramatic, awesome and is a great, outstanding group to bring here for the JSU students," said Mardracus Russell, Vice President of Organizational Affairs. Russell said Step Afrika will open with traditional African clothes, beads, fur and headbands, and close wearing modern day clothes.

Tonight's performance is one part of JSU celebrating Black History month. "Black History month is a reflection and knowledge of what was done by our African American heritage today," said Russell.

Dr. Zeigler, head of multicultural services and a diversity

education teacher, said Black History month is for acknowledging African American contributions and roles that are important in the history formation of United States that needed to be given recognition. African Americans have contributed towards inventions that African Americans have not been given recognition for, "That's one reason we celebrate Black History Month," said Dr. Zeigler.

"The event for Soul Food Dinner was very interesting. The choir performed a lovely performance; the event had delicious food," said Marcellous Hudson. Marcellous said another Black History event was "Maldia Family Reunion", a gospel movie by Tyler Perry depicting the issues of concern, like sexual abuse and successfulness.

"The comedy show was good and funny," said Fred Washington, Jr. Washington says Thursday's steppers will come and do traditional African stepping, relate the stepping to the way fraternities step that will be interesting and he will go check the stepping out.

of first place. Promoters and radio stations were there to scope out new talent.

Finding the next new band has to be a pretty tough job. Many of the groups that performed had practiced and had a good show. Of course, no one will be musically molded to perfection during a festival such as this one. Therefore, one has to look for a group that's really on to a good idea. A group that holds promise with a little bit of direction. A group standing out from the others.

This seemed a bit difficult because many of the more populated sets were all in the rock genre. This is a popular, crowd-gathering type of music, easy to bob your head to, even for the most musically challenged ear. I kept wondering why there wasn't more variety, but maybe a lot of bands keep things simple for a reason.

First, it does appeal to a wider audience; three repeated chords, a verse and chorus dance, a cross over the bridge and a big finish. Simple, yet not above the listener...or the player for that matter. Rock is usually easier on the player as well. There isn't the complexity and technical difficulty as found in jazz or classical.

I enjoy rock music, but seeing band after band playing strumming the same chords at the same tempo made it hard for me to distinguish my preference. I don't think I could hold the job of a promoter. Obviously, a couple of the bands had potential, but as the day lingered, it was hard to keep them all in mind.

The band that took second place, Providence, was rock-founded. They put on a great show with a lot of energy. Yet, the band taking first place was rememberable--Exodus 20:17.

Exodus had the rock feel, but was the only group who added horns into the mix. It was like adding hot fudge, sprinkles and Oreos to a bowl of vanilla ice cream. They rocked just as hard as anyone else out there, but had an old school style with new school theories.

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Old School Freight Train-Red
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Variety Playhouse
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SeepeopleS-10 High
Jason Marcum-Limerick
Junction
The Californias-Robert Ferst
Center For The Arts
The Codetalkers Feat. Col.
Bruce Hampton-Smith's Olde
Bar
Yonder Mountain String
Band-Tabernacle
Garaj Mahal-The
Brandyhouse
Armor For Sleep-The
Masquerade
Chase Pagan-The
Masquerade
Recover-The Masquerade
Say Anything-The
Masquerade
La Rua-Variety Playhouse
Los Amigos Invisibles-
Variety Playhouse
02/19/05
Dodd Ferrelle & Tin Foil
Stars-10 High
Heavy Mojo-Andrews
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Jad-Andrews Upstairs
Obsession Day-Andrews
Upstairs
Ingram Hill-Coca Cola Roxy
Theatre
Michael Tolcher-Coca Cola
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Unicorn
Deathray Davies-Drunken
Unicorn
Robert Schneider-Drunken
Unicorn
Jason Marcum-Limerick
Junction
Anthony Gomes-Northside
Tavern
The Codetalkers Feat. Col.

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Olde Bar
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Masquerade
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Masquerade
The Starting Line-The
Masquerade

College Concoctions

APPLE BRAN MUFFINS**Ingredients:**

2/3 c. milk
2 tsp. vinegar
1 c. shreds of wheat bran cereal
2 eggs, beaten
2 tbsp. vegetable oil
1/4 c. sugar
1/2 c. all-purpose flour
3/4 tsp. ground cinnamon
1/2 tsp. baking soda
1/2 c. peeled, finely chopped
apple
1 tbsp. wheat germ, toasted

Directions:

Combine milk and vinegar in a mixing bowl; let stand 1 minute. Add cereal; let stand 5 minutes. Beat in egg and oil; stir in sugar. Combine flour, cinnamon and soda; add to cereal mixture, stir just until moistened. Fold in apple. For Microwave: Spoon batter into paper-lined microwave muffin cups, filling 2/3 full. Sprinkle with 1/4 teaspoon wheat germ. Microwave high, 2-3 minutes, rotating once. Let muffins cool in pan 1 minute; serve immediately. Repeat procedure with remaining batter.

Chocolate-covered strawberries**Ingredients:**

6 ounces semisweet chocolate pieces
2 tablespoons unsalted butter
1 pint strawberries, with hulls

intact, washed and dried
Line a cookie sheet with wax paper.

Directions:

Place the chocolate in a circle in a 1-quart microwaveproof bowl, adding the butter to the center; the butter will make the chocolate shiny. Cook on MEDIUM (50%) for 2 minutes; stir. Cook on MEDIUM (50%) for 30 seconds to 1 minute more, stirring every 30 seconds until melted and smooth.

Using the hull as a handle, partially dip the strawberries, twirling in chocolate. As much as possible, place hull side down on a wax paper-lined sheet. Refrigerate for 30 minutes to harden.

Spinach soup**Ingredients:**

1-tbsp butter or margarine
2-cups loosely packed chopped spinach leaves
1-can (10 3/4 ounces) cream of potato soup
1-soup can milk
2-tbsp dry sherry or vermouth
dash ground nutmeg

Directions:

In 2-quart microwave-safe casserole, combine butter and spinach. Cover with lid; microwave on HIGH 2 minutes or until spinach is wilted. Stir in soup until smooth; stir in milk, sherry and nutmeg

until well blended. Cover; microwave on HIGH 6 minutes or until hot and bubbling, stirring once during cooking. Makes about 3 cups.

Ginger beef**Ingredients:**

3/4-pound beef flank steak
1-can (11 ounces) condensed zesty tomato soup
2-tbsp peanut or vegetable oil
1-tbsp soy sauce
2-tsp grated fresh ginger or 1/2 tsp ground ginger
1-clove garlic, minced
1-medium green pepper, cut into 1-inch squares
1-cup broccoli flowerets
Hot cooked rice

Directions:

Freeze steak 1 hour to make slicing easier. Cut steak across the grain into very thin slices. In 12 x 8-inch microwave-safe baking dish, stir together soup, water, oil, soy sauce, ginger and garlic. Add beef slices; toss to coat well. Cover; refrigerate at least 1 hour. Cover with vented plastic wrap; microwave on HIGH 6 minutes or until beef is no longer pink, stirring twice during cooking. Add green pepper and broccoli. Cover; microwave on HIGH 5 minutes or until vegetables are tender, stirring twice during cooking. Serve over rice. Makes about 3 1/3 cups or 4 servings

Horoscopes

Come work for

Horoscopes

ARIES: (March 21-April 20)

The week begins confusingly and doesn't seem to improve much at all. Money news may be iffy at best, and cooperation is definitely lacking. Try to bypass and form of speculation. Dreams of traveling are a pleasant diversion from the daily grind, what are you escaping from?

TAURUS: (April 21 - May 21)

You are feeling overly burdened by family responsibilities. Being a strong and stable person, people naturally tend to count on you. Maybe it's time to be a little selfish and work on your own interests. It's up to you to decide how much you will give to those around you.

GEMINI: (May 22 - June 21)

Being ambivalent about a home problem will not help matters at all. This could be one of those matters that must be approached head on. Those around you may be somewhat touchy, so take that into account when dealing with all. Realign your priorities - the future is bright.

CANCER: (June 22 - July 23)

Follow through on a project that is money, family or property related. This could have potential well beyond the immediate benefits. Distractions at work have a negative effect on your concentration. You will connect with a like-minded individual who wants to help you.

LEO: (July 24- August 23)

Working harder than ever, it seems as if every task requires twice the time and effort to finish. You may be a little run-down and that is why everything seems to be such a big chore. Start taking better care of yourself, and your outlook will be much brighter

VIRGO: (August 24 - September 23)

A financial matter requires your attention. Old debts must be cleared away as soon as possible - it will take some effort to get your cash flow situation to a comfortable point. You are busier than usual and have less time for fun and games. A new lover is patiently waiting.

LIBRA: (September 24 - October 23)

Creative opportunities during the week may be just the opening you need in order to explore a career-related idea you have been toying with for some time now. Give your mind and nerves a rest, you will need to be 100% on the home front. Romance is highlighted at night.

SCORPIO: (October 24 - November 22)

You seem to be overly concerned with your financial base. You and a mate haggle over joint funds and finally agree on a better approach to handling your money. Relationships with coworkers are positive and beneficial. Someone will do you a big favor soon.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 23 - December 21)

A powerful mutual attraction may arise between you and someone you meet during the

week. The other person will take the lead in bolstering the relationship. Your emotions are downbeat, and probably affecting your work or health - make sure to conserve your energies

CAPRICORN: (December 22 - January 20)

Be skeptical of promises given to you by a close friend or business partner. Your financial prospects are slowly improving. Be extra cautious in dealing with other people's money. The key is to focus on positive emotions and diffuse tensions as they arise.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 - February 19)

Although you may be in the mood to have things your own way, it's not a good time to insist on that. Back off with your loved ones, they are no doubt distressed by your efforts. You seem to be busier than ever with friends and neighbors showering you with invitations.

PISCES: (February 20 - March 20)

You have a lot of personal and family obligations this week. Despite all this commotion, you feel surprisingly calm and more serene than usual. Old emotional issues now make sense and you are free to deal with them and then let them go and get on with your life.

IF THIS WEEK IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Being naturally detail minded, you tend to have few money troubles - this is your conservative and sensible side that comes out when handling financial matters. Try not to be picky and judgmental with potential partners; remember there is no such thing as perfect.

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SPORTS

Apology is in order for the b-ball team!!

No bull in this Gamecock

From Staff Reports

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The Chanticleer
Sports Editor



"Man! The basketball team isn't very good," "Our girls can probably beat our boys team." "I wouldn't go see them play if it were free."

These are things I have heard from the students in passing over the last couple of weeks. Even though I am a writer for the school paper, I still fall under the student umbrella too.

You see, the funny thing is and something a lot of the critics forget is that Walker, Brandon, BJ, Anthony, Tim, John, Brad, Johnny, and Dorien are all students too.

So they fall under the student umbrella too. It is a totally different arena when you say the Chicago Bulls are not any good. First of all they are paid to compete on the pro level and they really don't care about what a student from Jacksonville, Alabama has to say.

So when you complain and chastise the basketball team, remember that they takes classes just like you.

All of our teams do. Drop this paper for a second and look around. Whether you're at class, the café, an academic building, or at the dorm there is more than likely a JSU student-athlete nearby.

If you read this column properly, then you would have remembered (student) athlete. An Atlanta Hawk is an athlete and a

Jacksonville State's Daniela Pappano doubled to center field in the eighth inning to score Melinda McDonald and defeat No. 7 Georgia 3-2 at the Second Annual Georgia Softball Classic at the Georgia Soccer/Softball Complex on South Milledge.

Jax State took a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the second inning on Maigin Alexander's RBI double and Devan Spence's RBI single.

The Bulldogs tied the score at 2-2 in the top of the fifth inning after Moody's two-out RBI single scored Godfrey.

Georgia and JSU entered the eighth inning with the international tie-breaker rule in effect, placing the last out of the previous inning at second base. That is when McDonald scored from second.

Carly Kellam picked up her second win of the tournament with four strikeouts and two earned runs.

"I think it is one of the biggest wins that our softball program has ever had," said head coach Jana McGinnis.

"We hope that this gets us more respect throughout the southeast, even though beating Georgia does not make our season. Our ultimate goal is to win the Ohio Valley Conference Championship."

Georgia is the highest ranked team the Gamecocks have ever defeated. South Carolina was the last ranked opponent Jax State defeated in 2003.

"We hope this win does help our confidence," said

McGinnis. "Our pitching, defense and hitting stepped up and played a very solid game. Coming off of a big win like that we were afraid our intensity would let up, but it didn't." JSU was victorious over Winthrop 2-1 following the UGA match-up.

JSU's Christine Pierce came on in relief in the third inning and struck out eight while not allowing a Winthrop hit. Kelly Raw (1-0) was the winning pitcher.

After Jacksonville State took a 5-0 lead in the first inning, No. 7 Georgia (5-5) came back to score 13 unanswered runs and the Gamecocks (4-1) its' first setback of the 2005 season. The Bulldogs prevailed 13-5 in the Second Annual Georgia Softball Classic tournament championship, Sunday at the Georgia Soccer/Softball Complex.

JSU's Daniela Pappano hit a two-run homerun that gave

Check in next week's paper as Amado, Whit and Philip bring you and inside spotlight at the 2005 Baseball and Softball teams.

Jacksonville State its first two runs in the top of the first inning. Whitney Elder followed with a three-run shot over the left field fence.

That would be the first and last of Gamecock runs in the game.

Jax State used four pitchers, with Carly Kellam (2-1) recording her first loss of the year.

Georgia's Michelle Green was the winning pitcher, tallying five strikeouts. Offensively for the Bulldogs Kim Wendland and Megan McAllister each had two homeruns on the day.



Courtesy/ JSU Steve Latham

Daniela pappano has started out on fire this season with a whopping .847 slugging percentage.

Men still alive with win against EK



Amado Ortiz
The Chanticleer Sports Editor

The Gamecocks sent Eastern Kentucky back home scratching their heads. There is no other way than to simply say, 'Eastern Kentucky got served. JSU jumped on the Colonels faster than bankruptcy hit MC Hammer. (That was pretty fast)

JSU was off and running to a 8-0 run to push their lead to 20-11 with 10 minutes left in the game on slam dunks by

momentum and holding the Colonels to 18 points. "We got some really big boards from Tim Lewis and BJ Spencer," said head coach Mike Laplante. "They didn't have an answer for our defensive intensity."

The Colonels would only get as close as seven points in the second half. JSU held off the charge and started to pull way late in the game. The Gamecocks placed five men in double figures as Walker Russell led the way with 16 points and seven

12 points. Recently named OVC player of the week, Brandon Davis, pitched in ten points.

"All year it has been something or another happening here and there," said Brandon Davis. "Whether its somebody getting hurt or something else happening but through all that we stayed together as a team."

The Gamecocks went on to win 70-55 in a game that saw JSU dominate all phases of the game.

Current OVC Standings

MEN

8. Eastern Illinois	5-7
Morehead State	4-8
JSU	2-10
UTMartin	2-10

WOMEN

1. SE Missouri	11-1
2. E Kentucky	11-1

If you read this column properly, then you would have remembered (student) athlete. An Atlanta Hawk is an athlete and a Gamecock is a student athlete. There is a big difference.

Drop this paper for another second and look around. Go and try to find a media guide with a picture of the basketball team. (There is also a picture up at the coliseum.)

Let me go over it with you. We will start on the back-row moving from right to left. Jeremy Law-off the team- Dorien Brown-down with a shoulder injury- Abdou Diame- off the team- Carl Brown- redshirted- (The last two were our tallest guys) Brandon Davis – a freshman who has been playing like a senior- Carlos Lumpkin- playing his heart out, so that makes only two guys that are playing off the back row.

Note to self. The tallest people stand in the back.

Front row: BJ Spencer- shooting lights out- Brad Peters- out for the year with a leg injury- Anthony Wilson- arguably the best athlete on the team- Walker Russell- is third in the nation in assists- Tim Lewis- shooter that hustles on both sides of the ball- John Ketterer- instant hustle and outside shooting- and Rod Venner transferred. Not pictured- Johny Amison- works very hard.

Did you look at the pictures? Coach Laplante can only play eight guys and you have to have five on the court at all times.

Through all that, they have managed to stay together as a team. They could have wrote the season off a long time ago but they have a university to defend. Even through all that they have beaten two of the top three teams in the league in consecutive weekends. Through all that they still can make the eight spot of the tournament with some clutch wins down the stretch.

Drop this paper for another second. Next time you want to say something about the basketball team remember that you're saying that about a guy that had to do the same paper or homework you had to do last night. We are all students that should cheer each other on but I guess it is easier if you point the finger first.



Courtesy/ JSU Alex Stillwagon

B.J Spencer

JSU was on and running to a 8-0 run to push their lead to 20-11 with 10 minutes left in the game on slam dunks by Brandon Davis, flashy assists from Walker Russell and three's from Anthony Wilson. JSU would take it to the locker room up 15 with all the

Gamecocks placed five men in double figures as Walker Russell led the way with 16 points and seven assists.(Walker is ranked third in the nation with 7.8 assists per game) Anthony Wilson had 14 points, Carlos Lumpkin and Tim Lewis had

win 70-55 in a game that saw JSU dominate all phases of the game.

Johnny Amison had a good performance on Senior night as his three pointer got JSU going in the first half.

JSU takes on Tennessee Tech tonight at 7:30.

1. SE Missouri	11-1
2. E. Kentucky	11-1
3. TN Tech	10-2
4. JSU	7-5

Top 8 make OVC tourney

Women basketball splits at the Pete

From Staff Reports

Cobie Carlisle scored a career-high 17 points as Jacksonville State rolled past Morehead State, 78-64 in an Ohio Valley Conference meeting Thursday at Pete Mathews Coliseum.

Carlisle went 8-of-9 from the floor and grabbed five rebounds for the Gamecocks.

"Cobie's healthy and staying on the floor more minutes," said Dave Dagostino of the junior forward. "We've established our go-to players in (Rebecca) Haynes and (Shanika) Freeman, but every game we're looking for that third one to step up.

Cobie's been it in these last two games."

After a slow start, the Gamecocks jumped ahead by eight with 12:39 remaining, but the Eagles answered with a 14-6 run to take a 38-34 lead at halftime. Carlisle led the Gamecocks with 11 points.

Tonight, she stepped in there and made some things happen." Jacksonville State forced a tie three times early in the second half before going on a 14-5 run over the final stretch.

The Gamecocks also held Morehead State to 35 percent shooting, with just two 3-point attempts in the second half.

"They're always a tough match up for us because we

have small guards," said Dagostino. "They're very well coached they just haven't reached that point where they gel yet.

"When you get to the point when it looks like you're not going to make postseason play, it doesn't matter whether you're playing from inspiration or desperation, from my end it's all pretty scary."

Also for the Gamecocks (11-10, 7-4), Rebecca Haynes had 17 points. Shanika Freeman had 14 points and nine rebounds. Katja Fuess had eight points and nine rebounds. Heather Shepard scored seven.

Morehead State (4-18, 2-9) was led by Natalie Collins, who

scored 11 points. Anitha Smith-Williams had 10 points, five assists and four steals. TaNeisha Johnson scored 10 points. Patti White chipped in nine points.

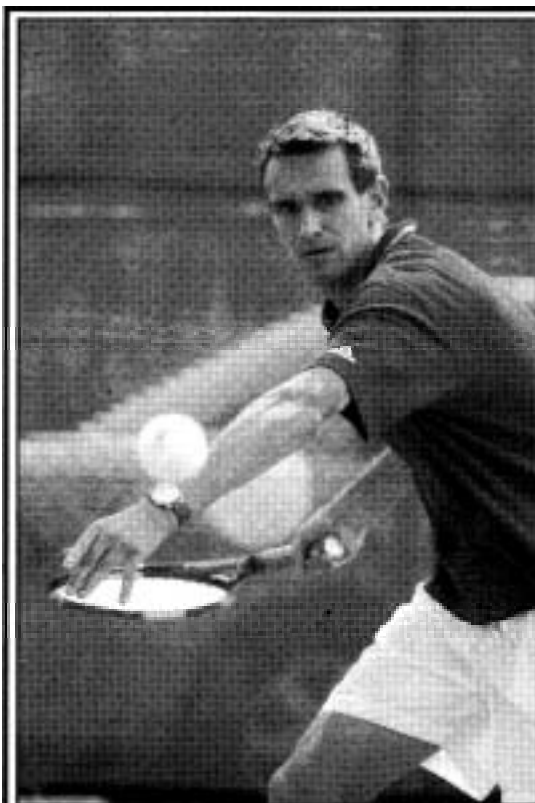
Jacksonville State came back from a 15 point deficit in the second half against Eastern Kentucky, but could not push ahead for the lead. EKV was victorious at Pete Mathews Coliseum Saturday evening, 63-61.

At the half, JSU was down by nine, 33-24 and was 0-for-6 from the 3-point line. The Gamecocks' Heather Shepard hit three big 3-pointers amidst a 19-4 JSU run to tie the Lady Colonels at 54 in the second half comeback.

EKV, who improved to 16-7 overall and 11-1 in the Ohio Valley Conference, was led by Laura Shelton and Miranda Eckerle with 20 points each. Eckerle also grabbed 10 boards. The Lady Colonels remain in a tie for first place in the league standings with Southeast Missouri State.

For Jax State, Shanika Freeman recorded 17 points and nine rebounds on the night. Ann-Marie Healy added 12 points and Cobie Carlisle had 10.

JSU, 11-11 overall and 7-5 in the OVC will travel to Tennessee Tech Thursday. Tip-off is set for 5:30 p.m.



Courtesy/ Steve Latham

Kieran Ricci came up with a huge win in the JSU comeback

From Staff Reports

Jacksonville State's tennis teams defeated Birmingham Southern Friday afternoon in non-conference matches. The women, down 2-0, came back to win 5-2, while the men, also down 2-0, came back to win 4-3.

Zeynep Gurkaynak won at No. 1 singles 6-3, 6-4, while fellow senior Robin Gorman won at No. 2 (3-6, 6-3, 6-4). Michelle Dushner won at No. 3 (6-4, 6-4) and Erin Higgs won at No. 4 (6-2, 7-5). Layla Abby finished out JSU's success on the day at No. 6 with a 6-1, 6-4 win.

On the men's side, Vedran Sirola won at No. 1 singles 6-3, 6-0, while Arturo Nieto won at No. 2 (1-6, 6-3, 6-3). Rodney Rapson won at No. 5 (6-5, 6-4) and Kieran Ricci won at No. 6 (2-6, 6-3, 6-3).

The women (2-2) and the men (2-1) will both travel to Belmont next Friday.

Are you game?

Jax St. Baseball

The Jacksonville State baseball team will begin their defense of the Ohio Valley Conference Championship this weekend at Rudy Abbott Field against SouthEastern Louisiana. The series begins Friday at 3 p.m. with 2 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Jax St. Track

Eboni Matthews has been named to the OVC athlete of the week - again. Matthews 200-meter record breaking time is tops on the OVC on the Best Lists.

Jax St. Rifle

Jacksonville State did all it could to secure a spot at the National Championships, recording the highest scores at the rifle sectional held at Murray State this past weekend. With 10 other sectionals being held around the country, JSU will have to wait to see if it qualified in both guns.

The top eight teams from all of the sectionals qualify for the NCAA Championships, to be held March 11-12 at Colorado Springs, Colo. Next up for JSU is the Ohio Valley Conference Championships, held Feb. 19-20 in Morehead, Ky.

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